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JULY CORN took a jump to 90 cents on the Chicago board of trade Tuesday.

THE jury of the Rush trial failed to agree after being out from Saturday until Monday.

SEVERAL Lowndes county teachers are attending the teachers' Normal at West Point.

THE Jackson application is very well put. Business men should advertise constantly as well as intelligently.

CHAIRMAN GRIGGS, of the National Democratic Congressional Committee, hits president Roosevelt a stinging blow in regard to the trust situation.

A HEAD-END collision near Selmer, Tenn. on the Mobile and Ohio railroad occurred Tuesday morning doing considerable damage and delaying traffic for several hours.

THERE are lots of such "well educated" people whose manuscript falls into the hands of the public quite often. Some of them write poetry and get very indignant when it does not appear in the paper. Deliver us from such "Grammaticians."

CAN you remember who ran on the ticket with Cleveland when Harrison was elected? There are very few who can, but there are many who believe an occasional ad. is all that is necessary to keep the remembrance of them fresh and green in the public mind.—Mail Order Journal.

S. DOVER, the treasurer of Sharkey county, is short over \$28,000 in his cash. The board of supervisors made the discovery Tuesday and he admitted that he had spent the money. Dover is an Ex-Confederate soldier and had lived in the county for thirty years, being always recognized as an upright and honorable citizen.

THE following has been received by the editor of the Atlanta Constitution: "Sur and Friend—Do the Carnegie Eiberrary lend books techin Matthewmatties to Outside your citie? I want Onlie Books on Matthewatties, as I am all right on spellin and am a purty good Grammaticion, if I do say so miself. I kin Spel and Grammarize; but Matthewmatties is one too Much for Me."

Hon. Wirt Adams, state revenue agent, made a distribution of some blind tiger money recently. Under a judgement of the supreme court, he collected a thousand dollars from Bryant Clark, of Madison county, whom he sued some time ago for the illicit sale of whiskey. Of this amount the state gets \$400 and the county gets \$400 and the rest goes to the revenue agent in commissions. Mr. Adams states that he has collected about \$10,000 from blind tiger men since he has been in office.—Mississippi Bureau N. O. Picayune.

In a few days the time of Lee Jackson, who is at present serving a term in the Illinois penitentiary, will expire. The Mississippi authorities have been notified that Jackson is in reality Lee Coleman, and that he escaped from the Mississippi penitentiary in 1899. He was sent up from Union county for grand larceny in 1897, and after he escaped went to Illinois, where he got into trouble and received a sentence in the penitentiary of that state. As soon as he is released from the Illinois prison he will be arrested and brought to Mississippi on a requisition. He has about six years of his sentence to serve in this state.—Mississippi Bureau N. O. Picayune.

Ready to Yield.  
"I used DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve for piles and found it a certain cure," says S. R. Meredith, Willow Grove, Del. Operations unnecessary to cure piles. They always yield to DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Cures skin disease, all kind of wounds. Except no counterfeits.—E. C. Chapman.

## THE INSURANCE SITUATION.

A Starkville correspondent to the Memphis Morning News states the situation in regard to cotton insurance as follows:

I enclose a clipping from the Review of June 19, a paper devoted exclusively to insurance interests, regarding the cotton interests in this state. You will notice that the insurance companies are not so much wrought up over the situation as some journals would make believe. The point overlooked by the newspapers is the interest of the producer. Does it hurt him? Yes. As long as the compresses and banks are wrought up and their pocket-book nerve touched, the average man does not care a rap, for he is not interested directly, but when the grower or farmer is the man that it hurts then the legislator and the prospective candidate for political honors opens his eyes. The price of cotton in Mississippi, except in border towns, owing to the buyer being unable to procure the proper insurance collateral will be from 1-2c to 1c cheaper to the producer than in other southern states.

This is so for the reason that the buyer, being unable to get the adequate insurance and the enormous increase in expense of handling by marks and numbers, both to himself, the compress and the banks, takes heavy chances and in order to take these chances forces the prices of cotton down to protect himself.

There is no way of getting around it—in the long run the farmer is the one most hurt. The farmer not only loses but the premium income on which taxes are paid is lost to the people of the state (and outside states are benefited). The compresses lose, capital is idle, labor is unemployed and competition among buyers, destroyed, for the little man is forced out of business on account of being unable to stand a loss without insurance. Obnoxious laws are hard on individuals as well as companies and benefit a few to the detriment of many. Rates in Mississippi are higher than any other state in the Union, and losses are heavier, competition less and rascality more and laws worse. Will some omniscient reason? Does it seem to you that it is because the lawmakers have been working on the wrong theory? Hundreds of men in the state are needing insurance and yet cannot get it on account of the companies not being willing to take their chances in the courts should there be a contest.

The foregoing the Greenville Democrat adds the following:

The above article which appeared in the Memphis Morning News of Tuesday states the situation accurately, and when we stop to calculate the loss to Mississippians from the insurance laws, astounding results are before us. If the farmers lose 1-2c per pound on the cotton produced in this state, fixing the crop at only 100,000 bales, the loss aggregates \$2,500,000, a sum sufficient to sustain the state administration for a year, including the pensions to old soldiers and the common school appropriations.

Something should be done and done once. The situation is an extraordinary one and extraordinary measures should be adopted to correct the evils coming in troops from a law that the insurance companies can use to harass and oppress.

## RATHER PECULIAR.

"Forays that are dark and tricks that are vain, the heathen Chinese is peculiar." The same may be said of the average politician.

The Greenwood Commonwealth says that when the primary election laws were being argued before the supreme court, Attorney General McClurg, although "agin" the convention, could not resist the temptation to strike his associate counsel, Hon. E. F. Noel, now, because that gentleman was once nominated for district attorney by casting lots. This is, indeed, strange conduct on the part of the leading

counsel and is about the only little thing the writer ever knew Mr. McClurg to be guilty of, for he is usually the embodiment of courtesy, discretion and even gentility.

However, his allusion to his associate counsel was unfortunate. Mr. Noel, who was nominated in the manner mentioned, was not present, while Mr. McClurg was present and was a member of that same convention. The people rebuked the convention—not Mr. Noel—by re-electing A. H. Brantley at the general election, but the next convention nominated Mr. Noel and the people elected him. These are the facts in the case.

Besides, the attorney general could hardly be a very strong advocate of a primary election, as he was indebted to the "steering committee" of the last convention for the position he now holds. In counties where primaries were held, Hon. Walter Trotter, of Winor, had secured at least two counties to Mr. McClurg's one, and no well informed man doubts that Mr. Trotter would have been nominated in a state primary. But no one can ever tell what a convention will do. The strongest man is often left out by the wire-puller.

Messrs. Noel and McClurg are prospective candidates for governor. Could this have had anything to do with the thrust? Mr. McClurg made a mistake, and being the clever man that he is, his mistake is all the more unfortunate.—Hattiesburg Progress.

## JURY FAILED TO AGREE.

The jury in the case of Banker Phil A. Rush, who was tried in Jackson recently on the charge of embezzlement in connection with the recent state treasury shortage, failed to agree, and was discharged by the presiding judge Monday morning. The members of the jury stood nine for acquittal and three for conviction.

Since the trial of the case begun public sentiment in Jackson has undergone a decided change, and the consensus of opinion seems to be that Rush should not be convicted unless Rairford and Armistead, who are equally culpable, are punished also. The result of the trial is really a victory for the defendant, as it is likely that all proceedings against him will be dropped and that nothing more will be heard of the case.

Mothers who would keep their children in good health should watch for the first symptoms of worms and remove them with WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. Price 25 cents. E. C. Chapman.

## THE COUNTY PRINTING.

At the June meeting the board of supervisors passed a resolution providing for the publication of the proceedings of that body in one of the county papers, and upon motion The Commercial was selected as the medium through which the deliberations of the county solons will be given out to the public.

The proceedings for the current month will appear in next Sunday's issue, and will be published regularly each month thereafter.

## AN ALARM OF FIRE.

An alarm of fire was turned in from ward five about midnight Tuesday, caused by a small blaze at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Butler on Military street. The flames were quickly extinguished, the resultant damages being nominal.

## A Real Friend.

"I suffered from dyspepsia and indigestion for fifteen years," says W. T. Sturdevant, of Merry Oaks, N. C. "After I had tried many doctors and medicines to no avail one of my friends persuaded me to try Kodol. It gave immediate relief. I can eat almost anything I want now and my digestion is good. I cheerfully recommend Kodol." Don't try to cure stomach trouble by dieting. That only further weakens the system. You need wholesome, strengthening food. Kodol enables you to assimilate what you eat by digesting it without the stomach's aid.—E. C. Chapman.

## ANOTHER BUILDING GOING UP.

West Main street is to have another new building. It is to be erected by Col. W. C. Richards on the site of the Chinese laundry, just opposite the Gilmer hotel, and will be a commodious brick structure with a frontage of forty feet, six inches and a depth of fifty-five feet, six inches.

The contract for the erection of the building has been awarded to Mr. Ben Kline, and when completed it will be occupied by Mr. J. D. Butts, who for some time past has conducted a grocery establishment in the building whose site the new structure will occupy.

## WE ARE PROSPERING.

Columbus is enjoying an epoch of prosperity which is unusual for this season of the year. Improvements involving the expenditure of more than one hundred thousand dollars are now in progress, and large sums of money are paid out each week to brick masons, mechanics and day laborers. Of course these men have to live and the money eventually finds its way into the coffers of the grocers, druggists, dry goods dealers and other merchants of the city, who are doing a regular fall and winter business right in the middle of the summer.

The day is fast coming when the merchants of Columbus will not have to depend entirely upon the success of the cotton crop for their business, for although we are in the heart of an agricultural district and cotton will always be one of the most important factors in the local mercantile world, still our factories are increasing at such a rapid rate that we will soon be in a position where business will be good throughout the entire course of the year, and then there will be no such thing as "the dull season."

## NOW GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT.

Mr. Joseph P. Billups, who for the past six or eight months has had charge of the passenger department of the Atlanta and West Point railroad, with the title of acting general passenger agent, has been regularly appointed general passenger agent of that line. The appointment was not a surprise to Mr. Billups' friends in this city, who have known for some time that the thoroughly efficient and competent manner in which he has managed the affairs of the department was to receive official recognition at the hands of the directors of the road.

Mr. Billups, while one of the youngest, is at the same time one of the best known passenger men in the south, and is highly esteemed both for his business acumen and for his genial disposition and courteous manners. The Commercial congratulates him on his promotion and predicts that still further advancements are in store for him.

## DEATH OF MR. J. W. WOODS.

Mr. J. W. Woods, who has been watchman at the plant of the Queen City Compress Co. for several years past, died at his home in the Southern part of the city at seven o'clock yesterday morning. Deceased was about sixty-five years of age and leaves a wife and several children to mourn his loss. He was a generous, kindhearted old gentleman, and had many friends who join The Commercial in extending sympathy and condolence to the bereaved family.

The funeral services will occur at nine o'clock this morning, the remains being interred in Friendship cemetery.

## MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

TULANE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA. Founded in 1834. Now has 3894 Graduates. Its advantages for practical instruction, both in ample laboratories and abundant hospital materials, are unequalled. Free access is given to the great Charity Hospital with 900 beds and 30,000 patients annually. Special instruction is given daily at the bedside of the sick. The next session begins October 24, 1902. For catalogue and information address: PROF. S. E. CHAILLE, M. D., Dean, P. O. DRAWER 201, NEW ORLEANS, LA. T-S-W-41

## POSTAL CLERKS TO HAVE VACATION.

According to the rules of the postoffice department all of the clerks in the local postoffice are entitled to two weeks vacation each, and Mr. Robert Albright will leave today for Castallion Springs, where his holidays will be spent. After his return Messrs John B. Patterson and Barnett Smith will each take two weeks off. During the time that the various clerks are absent from duty Mr. Erskine Hopkins will be employed as general assistant in the postoffice.

## A BIG DEAL IN CROCKERY.

Mr. L. J. Keaton, of the Combination store has purchased the entire stock of the Cincinnati Glassware and Crockery Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, which firm has recently decided to change the character of its business, and is now receiving the largest consignment of goods of this character ever shipped to Columbus. The purchase includes a full line of crockery and glassware of every description, which will be sold at very low prices.

To save mending, avoid breaking, and to avoid suffering, prevent coughs and colds by the use of HALLARD'S HOREHOTND SYRUP. It is a safe, sure and swift remedy for all bronchial ailments. Price 25 and 50 cents. E. C. Chapman.

## A BUSY NEIGHBORHOOD.

The southeastern portion of the city presents an unusually busy appearance just now. There are two large buildings in process of erection at the Industrial Institute and College, and a large force of laborers engaged in the work of laying the sewer line on College street. In both these undertakings work is being pushed rapidly forward, and the sound of hammer and saw, pick and shovel is heard constantly from morning until night.

## DEMISE OF MRS. C. C. L. DILL.

Mrs. C. C. L. Dill, who was for some time a resident of this city and who had many friends here, died at her home in Dillburg, Ala., last Sunday night. She had been ill only a few days and her death was rather sudden and unexpected.

Deceased was the mother of Miss Alice Dill, who for a number of years past has been a valued employee of the Commercial composing room, and who has many friends in Columbus who sincerely sympathize with her and the entire family in their sad affliction.

## HABEAS CORPUS PROCEEDINGS.

R. B. Tennyson, who more than a year ago was convicted of the murder of Morris Dreese, and who since that time has been confined in the county jail awaiting a new trial, which was granted by the supreme court, has been granted a writ of habeas corpus by Chancellor Byrd, and his case will come up before Judge Stevens in West Point next Monday.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

At a meeting of Union Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F., last Monday night, newly elected and recently appointed officers were installed as follows: J. W. Lipscomb, Noble Grand; O. P. Brown, Vice Grand; H. M. Lannier, Sec'y; W. P. Caine, Treasurer; D. L. Bailey, Sexton; J. L. Walker, Chaplain; R. K. Spiers, Conductor; A. E. Love, R. S. N. G.; L. A. Vaughan, L. S. N. G.; F. E. Richards, R. S. V. G.; Clarence Eubanks, L. S. V. G.; John Childers and R. E. Cheatham, S. S.; Albert Loeb, Inside Guardian; J. L. Stevenson, Outside Guardian; Ed Childers, Warden.

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## THE HALL OF FAME.

Commercial Readers to Vote on Greatest Mississippians.

JACKSON, MISS., June 9, 1902. EDITOR COMMERCIAL:

Permit me to call your attention to a matter of importance to the Department of Archives and History, and to ask your aid in presenting it prominently before the people of the state. In the beautiful new capitol which is nearing completion there will be a Mississippi Hall of Fame, in which will be preserved the names and likenesses of great men of the state, including great leaders of all classes and professions.

While it is not intended to give special prominence to any class of our great men, or limit to any number it will awaken interest in matters historical and stimulate state pride to give all the people an opportunity to select ten great Mississippians who should have places in this Hall of Fame. Will you kindly open your columns to the people for the above named purpose with your next issue and close the ballot August 1st? If you have any letters of me, it and interest in the course of the vote, may I ask you to preserve and forward them to the Department of Archives and History, with the result of the vote as taken by your valuable publication? I have the honor to be, with best wishes,

Yours, very truly,  
DUNBAR ROWLAND.

## RULES OF THE CONTEST.

Mr. Rowland suggests that the following rules for the vote be observed:

1. Every Mississippian above fifteen years of age is a qualified voter.
2. Great Mississippians of the past only should be voted for.
3. The voter should use the coupon published in his newspaper as a ballot.
4. The vote should be for ten great Mississippians, native or adopted.
5. The vote is expected to close August 1st.
6. The portraits of the ten Mississippians who receive the greatest number of votes will be placed in the Hall of Fame of the Department of Archives and History, along with those of other illustrious men of the state who have by great deeds won the distinction.

The following form of voting coupon is suggested:

HALL OF FAME.  
The Commercial requests its readers and friends to vote for ten great Mississippians for the purpose of having the portraits of those receiving the largest vote placed in the Hall of Fame of the new capitol.  
Please use the coupon given below as a ballot and address Hall of Fame Vote, care of The Commercial.

## HALL OF FAME COUPON.

THE COLUMBUS COMMERCIAL.  
Gentlemen:—Please record this, my vote for ten great Mississippians who should have a place in the Hall of Fame of the new capitol.

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Name of voter \_\_\_\_\_

## HALL OF FAME VOTE.

The following votes have been received by The Commercial in the "Hall of Fame" contest:

Jefferson Davis	49	J. L. Porter	40
L. Q. C. Lamar	37	Dr. G. H. Humphreys	30
Jas. Z. George	37	Greenwood Leffay	25
L. S. Prentiss	29	Ivan Hazzard	25
E. C. Walthall	29	J. F. H. Claiborne	25
Jno. M. Stone	29	David Holmes	25
Mrs. Annie C. Peyton	26	Philip Noland	25

Isaac N. Brown 1



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